

AMENDMENTS

Please enter the following amendments without prejudice or disclaimer.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 43, 54, 55, 60, 61, 64 and 67 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 45, 46, 48, 56, 62, 65, 70, 71 and 72 as follows.

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45. (Three Times Amended) The method of claim 65 wherein said population of non-RPE cells is administered in a dose ranging from 10^3 to 10^7 cells.

46. (Three Times Amended) The method of claim 65, further comprising re-administering RPE cells to the site in an effective amount to maintain the localized immunosuppression at the site and thereby sustain survival of the allogeneic non-RPE cells.

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48. (Three Times Amended) The method of claim 46 wherein the re-administered RPE cells are attached to a matrix prior to re-administration.

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56. (Twice Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising retinal pigment epithelial (RPE) cells, a non-RPE cell population, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, wherein said non-RPE cell population comprises insulin-producing cells.

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62. (Three Times Amended) A compartmentalized kit adapted to receive a first container adapted to contain retinal pigment epithelial (RPE) cells and a second container adapted to contain a non-RPE cell population, wherein the non-RPE cell population comprises insulin-producing cells.

65. (Amended) A method for facilitating survival of an allogeneic graft of a population of non-RPE cells in a mammal, comprising:

95 administering retinal pigment epithelial (RPE) cells and a population of non-RPE cells to a site in a mammal, wherein the population of non-RPE cells is allogeneic to the mammal, wherein the RPE cells secrete Fas L and wherein the RPE cells are administered in an amount effective to create localized immunosuppression at the site thereby increasing survival time of the allogeneic graft of the population of non-RPE cells in the mammal.

96 70. (Amended) The composition of claim 56 wherein said RPE cells are attached to a matrix.

71. (Amended) The composition of claim 56 wherein cells of said population of non-RPE cells are attached to a matrix.

72. (Amended) An article of manufacture, comprising:
a packaging material;
retinal pigment epithelial (RPE) cells contained within said packaging material;
a non-RPE cell population contained within said packaging material, wherein the non-RPE cell population comprises insulin-producing cells; and
wherein said packaging material contains a label that indicates that said RPE cells can be used for facilitating survival of an allogeneic graft of the non-RPE cell population in a mammal.